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SUBJECT: AIR AFRIQUE

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1. EMBASSY OFFICER CALLED ON DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION SALAMI TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE VISIT BY PAN AM REPRESENTATIVE IN FEBRUARY IN RESPONSE TO TOGO'S INTEREST IN OBTAINING PAN AM FLIGHT. DURING COURSE OF TALKS OFFICER RAISED QUESTION OF FIFTH FREEDOM RIGHTS INSIDE AIR AFRIQUE WHICH WOULD BE NEEDED TO MAKE LOME AN ECONOMICALLY FEASIBLE RUN, I.E., DAKAR-LOME OR ABIDJAN-LOME. CIVIL AVIATION DIRECTOR STATED THAT TOGO WAS IN PRINCIPLE AGAINST THE GRANTING OF FIFTH FREEDOMS WITHIN THE AIR AFRIQUE GROUP. HOWEVER, THEY WOULD DISCUSS THE SUBJECT WITH PAN AM. SALAMI SAID THAT TOGO WOULD PREFER TO TALK ABOUT A POSSIBLE MONROVIA-LOME OR LAGOS-LOME RUN AND AVOID THE ISSUE OF AIR AFRIQUE.

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2. USG AND PAN AM CAN EXPECT NO SUPPORT FROM TOGO IN TRYING
TO NEGOTIATE FIFTH FREEDOMS WITH AIR AFRIQUE.
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